

REMARKS

Applicant replies to the Office Action mailed on August 31, 2006, with a two (2) month extension of time. Claims 1-8, 11, 19-20, 22-23, 27-28, and 36 were pending in the application and the Examiner rejects claims 1-8, 11, 19-20, 22-23, 27-28, and 36. Applicant asserts that the application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the pending claims is requested.

Claim to Priority

The Examiner notes that, “the domestic priority as claimed on page 2 of the specification is not proper since the provisional application 60/159,564 is not related to this case” (page 2, item 3). Applicant asserts that the accurate reference to the Provisional Patent Application should read, “60/139,654” and that the error was by way of typographical error in that the numeral “3” was inadvertently entered as a “5.” Thus, Applicant amends the specification to recite the correct Provisional Patent Application number in the claim to priority.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner rejects claims 1-3, 7, 11, 27-28, and 36 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Kennedy et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,651,217 (“Kennedy”). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Applicant notes that the priority date for the instant application of June 16, 1999, predates the September 1, 1999 filing date of Kennedy. Therefore, Kennedy does not qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), and thus does not anticipate Applicant’s presently claimed invention. As such, at the time of Applicants’ invention, Kennedy did not exist, so Kennedy did not disclose or suggest at least, “comparing the field data to the corresponding user data in the user profile,” and “replacing the user data in the user profile with the field data, when the field data is different from the user data in the user profile,” as similarly recited by independent claims 1 and 36.

Claims 2-3, 7, 11, and 27-28 variously depend from independent claim 1. As such, dependent claims 2-3, 7, 11, and 27-28 are differentiated from the cited reference for at least the reasons set forth above, as well as in view of their own respective features.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Examiner rejects claims 4-6 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kennedy. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

As stated above in reference to the 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) rejection, the priority date for the instant application is June 16, 1999, which predates the September 1, 1999 filing date of Kennedy.

Therefore, Kennedy does not qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), and thus does not render the Applicant's presently claimed invention obvious. Moreover, claims 4-6 variously depend from independent claim 1 and are differentiated from the cited reference for at least the reasons set forth above, as well as in view of their own respective features.

The Examiner rejects claims 8, 19-20, and 22-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kennedy in further view of Markus et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,490,601 ("Markus"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

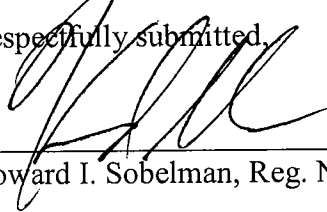
Markus discloses a server for automatically filling in form fields of an electronic document by a user creating a profile. The profile contains information that would be commonly used to fill out an online form such as, for example, first and last name, address, telephone number, email address, credit card number, etc. When the user subsequently accesses an online form that has been previously mapped by a privacy bank, a profile bundle is created and transmitted to the user's browser application, wherein data elements from the bundle are inserted into the various form fields as indicated by the map.

The Examiner relies on Markus to disclose a claimed feature not disclosed by Kennedy. However, as noted above, Kennedy does not qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), and thus, does not render the Applicant's presently claimed invention obvious. Moreover, claims 8, 19-20, and 22-23 variously depend from independent claim 1 and are differentiated from the cited references for at least the reasons set forth above, as well as in view of their own respective features

Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is thus requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **19-2814**. Applicant invites the Examiner to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner has any questions regarding this Reply or the present application in general.

Respectfully submitted,

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